

REMARKS

I. Obvious-type Double Patenting

Applicants respectfully request that the issue of obvious-type double patenting be re-addressed if and when the pending claims are found otherwise allowable.

II. Rejection of Claims 1-43 under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph

Claims 1-43 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph as allegedly failing to enable one of ordinary skill in the art to make or use the claimed invention. The Office has pointed to the Wands Factors.

The Applicants point out that those of ordinary skill in the art would appreciate the appropriate gastrointestinal disorders that would respond to the inhibition of iNOS. Further, the experimentation recited in the Office Action is considered to be routine by those of ordinary skill in the art.

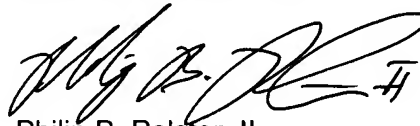
On page 185, lines 1-27, and page 187, lines 1-4, methods of assaying efficacy of iNOS inhibitors in gastric epithelial cells is recited. Further, on page 192 and 193, examples of pharmaceutical compositions are described. Therefore, there is ample guidance for one skilled in the art to practice the invention recited in the instant claims.

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, is requested.

II. Conclusion

If the Examiner believes a telephonic interview with Applicant's representative would aid in the prosecution of this application, she is cordially invited to contact Applicant's representative at the below listed number.

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